

# **Rebecca Jane Shell correspondence S1173**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Crowley, Marcus C., 1844-1864
<b>Creator</b>	Hershberger, Rebecca Jane Shell, 1845-1906
<b>Creator</b>	Myers, Isaac F.
<b>Creator</b>	Shell, John, 1842-1908
<b>Creator</b>	Shell, William, 1844-1902
<b>Title</b>	Rebecca Jane Shell correspondence
<b>Date</b>	1862-1863
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Text [Folder]</b>	S1173

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Rebecca Jane Shell was born on October 20, 1845 in Fountain County, Indiana to Strother and Elizabeth Shell. She had several brothers and sisters, including John (1842-1908) and William (1844-1902), who both served in Company C, 63rd Indiana Regiment during the Civil War. Rebecca married Henry Hershberger on June 3, 1865 and they had five children. She died at the age of 60 on September 17, 1906.

### Sources:

Ancestry.com. "Rebecca Shell." *1860 United States Federal Census*. Accessed September 27, 2017. <https://www.ancestrylibrary.com>.

Ancestry.com. "Rebecca J. Shell." *Illinois Marriage Index, 1851-1900*. Accessed September 27, 2017. <https://www.ancestrylibrary.com>.

FindaGrave.com. "Rebecca J. Hershberger." Find a Grave Memorial 35326576. Accessed September 27, 2017. <https://www.findagrave.com>.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains photocopies of five letters sent to Rebecca Jane Shell during the U.S. Civil War ranging from 1862 to 1863. She received a November 4, 1862 letter from her brother John while he was at Camp Sullivan in Indianapolis; an April 19, 1863 letter from Marcus C. Crowley sent from Boston Station, Kentucky; two letters letter from her brother William from Camp Salt River Bridge in Shepherdsville, Bullitt County, Kentucky (May 16, 1863) and Camp Bardstown Junction, Bullitt County, Kentucky (October 2, 1863); and a August 11, 1863 letter sent by I.F. Myres (Isaac F. Myers?) from "Bards Town Junction, Bullet Co. KY."

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged chronologically.

## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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### Accruals

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### Processing Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Corporate Name(s)

- United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 63rd (1862-1865).

**Family Name(s)**

- Shell family

**Genre(s)**

- Correspondence

**Geographic Name(s)**

- Indianapolis (Ind.)
- Kentucky
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Military life

**Personal Name(s)**

- Crowley, Marcus C., 1844-1864
- Shell, John, 1842-1908
- Shell, William, 1844-1902

**Subject(s)**

- Military life
- Soldiers